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THE HAMPDEN HIPPOCRAT, OCTOBER, 1964

EDITORIAL

IS MEDICARE REALLY DEAD?

Earlier this year the House of Representatives passed a bill expanding Social Security benefits but omitting any reference whatever to the medicare program. The Senate then approved the bill but tagged on a rider putting hospital and nursing-home expenses for the elderly into Social Security. The measure then had to be referred to a Senate-House conference committee to iron out differences. Efforts to reach a compromise failed and the 88th Congress adjourned on October 3rd without taking any action on medicare.

Does this mean that medicare is really dead? Yes, but only temporarily. Its proponents have made it quite clear that they intend to pursue relentlessly their campaign to have some form of King-Anderson legislation ultimately

enacted. Medicare is almost certain to be resuscitated during the next session of Congress. As one commentator quipped, "Medicare is not dead, it is only hibernating."

To counteract medicare propaganda the AMA has embarked on a nation-wide campaign to educate the public in the health care for the aged. This was announced in a recent letter from AMA's President Donovan F. Ward. The letter reads in part:

> "During the month of October, the American Medical Association in cooperation with state and county medical societies will undertake a nation-wide educational program on health care for people over 65. The purpose is to inform the public about the broad range of health care now available to the elderly who need help in paying for this care.
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> "Surveys have shown that there is widespread lack of knowledge about the programs universally available to provide health care to the elderly who cannot pay for it, such as the Kerr-Mills Law and other state and local programs.
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> "Your help is vital to the success of this educational program. Newspaper and magazine advertisements as well as television and radio spot announcements will invite the elderly to ask their doctors or their local medical societies for information on how they can get needed health care if they are unable to pay for it.
>
> "I know that you are willing to tell your patients who really need help where and how they can get it. I am sure you are doing this already when asked. What we propose in this educational campaign is to acquaint the people before they need help with the fact that it is available to them when they do need it, and, incidentally, that no new tax-consuming program is necessary."

Although medicare was defeated in the last session of Congress, it should be noted that the call was very close indeed. For the first time in the history of the United States a branch of Congress (the Senate) passed a health bill tied to Social Security. This is ominous. The best protection against any form of King-Anderson legislation is a well informed public. It is to this end that we are urged to lend support to the AMA's current educational campaign. It is the least we can do in these critical times. M.M.

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HAMPDEN CAPSULES

Guest speaker at the February meeting of the Society will be Dr. Donovan F. Ward, President of the AMA. The several presidents of the State Medical Societies of New England will be invited to join us at that meeting.

Meetings at Headquarters

Diabetes sub-committee
Public Relations
Public Health
Executive Committee

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The following physicians spoke for the Springfield Health Department when the films HUMAN GROWTH and THE INNOCENT PARTY were shown.

Drs. Bellin, Ernst, Samuel Feldman, Fitzpatrick, Keitlen, Sheffield, Walter Tauber, and Warhaftig

Community Health Week (Oct. 18-24) publicity has been sent to the radio and TV stations as well as to the press.

Today's Health magazine, which used to be sent to area colleges by the Woman's Auxiliary, is now being sent to them as a gift from the HDMS. The colleges are: Springfield, A.I.C., Western New England, Bay Path Jr., Westfield State, Holyoke Business, and Holyoke Jr.

PRE-COUNCIL MEETING

The first pre-council meeting of the season was held on Friday, September 11 at headquarters. In attendance were: Drs. Allan, Bronos, Franseen, Johnson, LaMarche, Miller, Millman, Miner, O'Malley, Rini, and Tillman. Presiding over the meeting was Executive Councilor Dr. Thomas F. Reilly.

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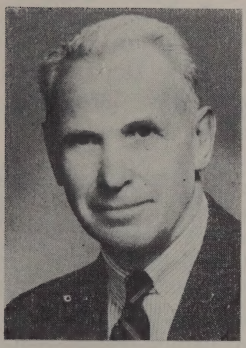


LADIES' DAY

It is fitting that we express our gratitude and appreciation to the members of the Woman's Auxiliary. Through the years they have played a very vital, yet unobstrusive, role in the activities of the H.D.M.S.

The Woman's Auxiliary was organized to assist the Medical Society in the advancement of medicine and in the protection of the health of the public.

We have ample reason to be proud of our own Auxiliary. Its membership is the second largest in the state. It has raised more funds for scholarships, etc. than any other Auxiliary in the state. A list of its numerous activities, appears elsewhere in this issue.

The Woman's Auxiliary Committee serves as a liaison between the Society and the Auxiliary and confers when requested by the Auxiliary on matters pertaining to the Society. It may also suggest effective programs and activities that might prove of benefit to the Society. Those who should know are convinced that the Auxiliary can be most helpful in fostering better public relations. It can also be effective in presenting medicine's point of view to other organizations.

The least we can do is to encourage our wives to become members of the Auxiliary and to actively engage in its activities.

Ladies, we salute you!

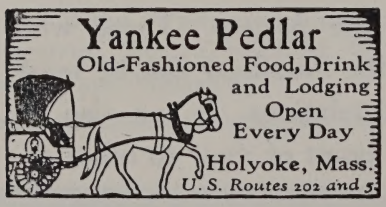
Theodore R. Miner, M.D.

STATE LEGISLATION OF INTEREST

Battered Child Reporting, (Chapter 534) makes it mandatory for a physician to report to the Massachusetts Department of Public Welfare any children under sixteen he "has reasonable cause to believe . . . is suffering from serious physical injury or abuse inflicted by a parent or other persons responsible for the care of the child. Any information . . . given in good faith . . . shall not constitute slander or libel."

Cases should be reported to the appropriate district office of the Division of Child Guardianship, Massachusetts Department of Public Welfare, by telephone or other means depending on the urgency of the situation. The Division will assign a caseworker and work out an individual arrangement for collaborating with the reporting doctor immediately. Informational material and forms for reporting are available at the Division's district offices which are located as follows:

Springfield, for four western counties): 235 Chestnut Street, Tel. REpublic 2-6218.



DIABETES DETECTION WEEK

Hampden District Medical Society is observing Diabetes Detection Week (November 15 to November 21) by co-sponsoring a Diabetes Detection and Education program jointly with the Public Health Departments of the area and the Druggists of Western Massachusetts.

During Diabetes Week the public through a program of publicity, will be invited to pick up a "Dreypak" at their favorite drug store. This "Dreypak" contains a medicated paper strip which the individual dips quickly into a specimen of urine, lets it dry, and returns it—by mail or otherwise. The tester adds one drop of glucose oxidase solution to the filter paper strip containing the dried urine specimen. After two minutes, if the filter paper turns any color between light green and dark blue, there is sugar in the urine.

A self-addressed envelope then delivers the "Dreypak" to H.D.M.S. headquarters at 1414 State Street. From there they will go to the Springfield Trade High School where it is expected the actual testing, as last year, will be done. Our Woman's Auxiliary then takes over, notifying the sender if the test is positive.

The cooperation of all physicians, especially in the follow-up of positive cases, is earnestly requested.

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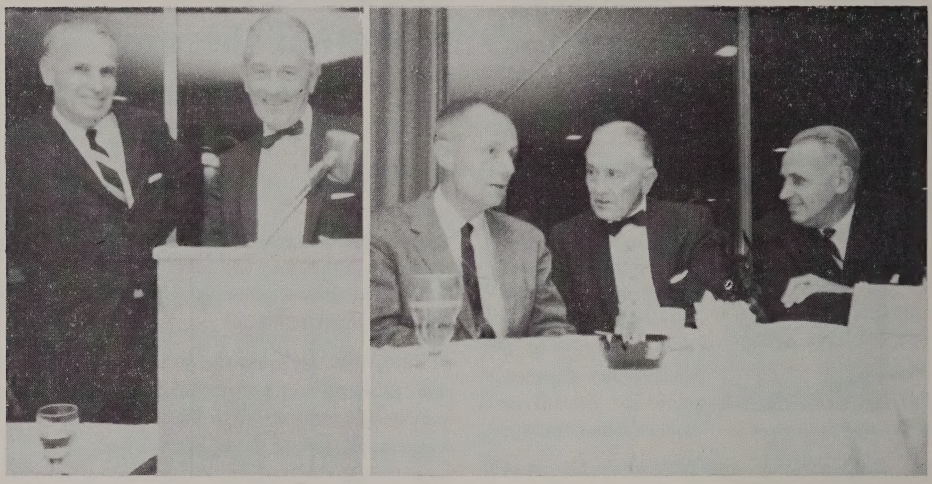

L. to R. (1) Drs. Miner and Baty at the rostrum, (2) Drs. Burkhardt, Baty and Miner in conference.

Meeting is held at Shaker Farms Country Club, Westfield . . . 165 in attendance against 154 reservations . . .

President Miner calls meeting to order at 6:15 P.M. . . . He calls for a moment of silence for members deceased since Annual Meeting: Drs. J. Perry Graham, Louise M. Leverone, James G. Ross, Bennett Solomon, David Crowell; also Norman A. Welch, President of AMA.

Sub-committee on Diabetes announces November 15-21 as Diabetes Detection Week . . . all members are urged to cooperate . . .

Dr. Polchlopek announces a special program to be held at the Springfield Hospital on October 7th from 9 A.M. to 12 Noon.

Topic: "Radiation: A Help or a Hazard" . . .

Following a social hour and chicken dinner the meeting is resumed at 8:30 P.M. . . .

President Miner presents certificates to the following new members: Drs. Bovarnick, Bettigole, Butler, Cummings, Donohue, Giguere, Hennessey, Hojnoski, Janovsky, Medbury, Pahl, Peck, Sandt, Sowell, Stein, and Sterba.

He announces that Dr. Donovan Ward, President of the AMA will be guest speaker at February meeting. . . .

Speaker of the evening is then introduced . . . He is Dr. James Baty, President of the MMS . . . His remarks on the "Relationship of the District Society, the MMS, and the AMA" are well received. . . .

Meeting adjourns at 9 P.M.

A MESSAGE
from
Mrs. Emanuel Wiedman, President
Woman's Auxiliary to the Hampden District Medical Society

It is a great honor to extend greetings through this issue of the Hippocrat which is annually dedicated to the Woman's Auxiliary. This year the President's Message will reach the largest number of readers, because the Bulletin is now mailed to the physician's residence instead of his office. In this manner it reaches not only the physician but also his wife, be she Auxiliary member or not. I do wish I had the ability to convince all non-members to join our ranks in 1964-65. Although our Auxiliary membership is now the second highest in the state, there is no reason why every doctor's wife should not become an active member now of the Woman's Auxiliary to H.D.-M.S.

To many, an organization made up of the distaff portion of the population conjures up a rather comical picture. The "Ladies' Club" has always been the butt of jests and jokes. For those of you who have every thought of our Auxiliary as just another organization of would-be "dogooders", let me present some of the facets of Auxiliary life.

On the corner of my desk sits a file box, not very large considering the story it tells. In it are condensed more than fourteen years of Auxiliary work. I have read many of its records, and can truthfully say my pride has been intensified after considering the progress that has been made. Here are some of our achievements:

We have awarded several thousand dollars for health career scholarships.

We have contributed substantial amounts to A M A - E R F.

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We have collected instruments to be distributed in underdeveloped

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We have taken over the task of notifying the citizens of the results of the diabetes detection tests.

We have actively participated in the polio immunization program.

We have weighted the scales in Washington with letters concerning bills due to come before Congress, bills that might affect adversely the American system of medical practice.

We have kept informed our necessarily "stay at home members", by our excellent state and national bulletins.

Not all of our functions are serious. On the lighter side, we have many opportunities to wear the latest fashions and enjoy the conviviality of our fellow members.

Above all, our Auxiliary is a unifying force based on loyalty to our doctor husbands.

I often hear remarks that our organization is now extending beyond its sphere, that the organization was not started with this or that purpose in mind. Comments such as these are cause for sober reflection on the true nature of our organization. It is an organization that has not remained static, but has grown with the times and has responded to the needs of our complex society. This Auxiliary comprises a dedicated group of women who have assumed their role in this frenzied society of the twentieth century.

Just another "ladies' club" indeed!

GREETINGS TO HAMPDEN

from

Mrs. Jost J. Michelsen, President

The Woman's Auxiliary to the M.M.S.

I welcome this opportunity to greet you, officers and members of the Hampden District Auxiliary. Under the leadership of your President, Myra Wiedman, I know you will have a wonderful and constructive year.

Membership is one of our main projects this year. Our Auxiliary needs more doctors' wives as members. Many projects, such as the AMA-Educational Research Fund, International Health Activities, Legislation, many phases of Community Service, and Health Careers recruitment — need our support.

Combatting the deluge of misleading medical information is a challenge to every physician's wife. The member who possesses and distributes authentic knowledge about medical legislation or health problems, renders a most important service to her community.

Through cooperation and communication will come progress. Therefore, I urge all medical wives to join our ranks and I sincerely hope to see many Hampden District members at our Fall conference in Boston, October 19th and 20th.

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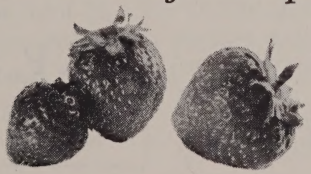

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Neither the AMA nor the WMA sell or distribute devices bearing the symbol; only the design has been adopted as official. Many manufacturing jewelers and others have produced a variety of devices with the symbol thereon for wearing on the person. However, an "Emergency Medical Identification Card" for the setting down of vital medical information may be procured from the AMA.

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IN MEMORIAM

J. GORDON ROSS, M.D.

Dr. J. Gordon Ross of 55 Falmouth Road, Longmeadow, died at the Springfield Hospital on August 28, 1964.

Born in Perth, Ontario, on February 2, 1891, Dr. Ross was educated in Canada where he received his B.A. degree from Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario in 1912, and M.D. degree from the University of Western Ontario in 1916. Upon completion of his training, Dr. Ross served in the Canadian Army Medical Corps during World War I. Following this, he entered the private practice of medicine in Windsor, Ontario until 1928 when he came to Springfield to become associated with the Mass. Mutual Life Insurance Co. He was associated with this company until 1956, when he retired.

Dr. Ross was a member of the American Medical Association, the Mass. Medical Association, the Hampden District Medical Society, and the Springfield Academy of Medicine.

Deepest sympathy is hereby extended to the surviving members of his family and to his many friends and associates.

BENNETT SOLOMON, M.D.

Dr. Bennett Solomon of 72 Wayne Street, Springfield, died at the Mercy Hospital, Springfield, on Sept. 4, 1964.

Born in Austria on April 23, 1899, Dr. Solomon came to this country at the age of 10. He attended Boston public schools, Harvard University, and Tufts Medical School, from which he graduated in 1923. After his internship at the Springfield Hospital, he went on to specialty training in roentgenology at the Harvard Medical School and the Mass. General Hospital, Boston.

Dr. Solomon had maintained a private practice in Springfield since 1925 and served on the medical staffs of the Springfield Hospital, Wing Memoral Hospital in Palmer, and the Holyoke Hospital. He was a member of the American Medical Association, the American College of Radiology, the New England Roentgen Ray Society, the MMS and the HDMS, and the Springfield Academy of Medicine. He was a Diplomate of the American Board of Radiology. During World War II, Dr. Solomon served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps.

Deepest sympathy is extended to his family, friends, and associates.

IN MEMORIAM

DAVID P. CROWELL, M.D.

Dr. David P. Crowell of 180 Bemis Road, Holyoke, died at the Holyoke Hospital on Sept. 9, 1964.

Born in Bedford, N. H., on March 5, 1917, Dr. Crowell graduated from Boston University College of Liberal Arts in 1939 and from the School of Medicine in 1942. He served his internship at the Salem Hospital, Salem, Mass. from 1942-1943 and went on later to serve residencies in anesthesiology at Faulkner Hospital, Jamaica Plain, and the Cushing Veterans' Hospital in Framingham. He came to Holyoke three years ago, entering into the practice of anesthesiology.

Dr. Crowell was on the medical staff of the Holyoke Hospital. He was a member of the American Medical Association, the American Society of Anesthesiology, the American College of Anesthesiology, the MMS, the Mass. Society of Anesthesiology, and the HDMS. Moreover, he was a Diplomate of the American Board of Anesthesiology. During World War II, Dr. Crowell served in the U. S. Army Medical Corps.

Deepest sympathy is extended to the surviving members of his family and to his many friends and associates.

COMING EVENTS

HAMPDEN DISTRICT MEETING, DECEMBER 1, 1964

COMMUNITY HEALTH WEEK, OCTOBER 18 - 24

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, OCTOBER 20 and NOVEMBER 17

A. M. A. NAT'L. CONGRESS on MENTAL ILLNESS and HEALTH, CHICAGO, NOVEMBER 5 - 7

ACADEMY MEETING, NOVEMBER 10

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M. M. S. COUNCIL MEETING, FEBRUARY 3, 1965

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NORMAN A. WELCH, M.D.

(A Tribute)

Most of the ready responses that came to my frequent calls for assistance in guiding the affairs of the Massachusetts Medical Society, came from generous Fellows whose waking hours already were well filled with obligations. None was more prompt in his response than Dr. Norman Welch. Truly he lived to serve his fellow men whether they were patients, fellow practitioners or the several organizations that chose him to show the way.

Dr. Welch's legions of friends across the world were shocked with grief because of this tragic loss at the pinnacle of usefulness as President of The American Medical Association.

As with other noteworthy public servants who have come to untimely ends, the death of our friend Norman Welch serves to accentuate the value of his life, his steadfast character, and the universal regard for this worthy disciple of Hippocrates. We who knew him well and valued our work together, can rejoice in the privilege of our contacts. Hence, we too are moved deeply to share the grief of his bereaved family, and of the multitude who benefited by his care.

For the man himself, trusted internist and teacher, guiding spirit of the Blue Shield, gifted presiding officer and able chairman of medical gatherings, he reaped the rich harvest that so many others cannot enjoy because they are content to "let George do" their organized thinking for them.

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The doctors on the Advisory Board, Drs. Robert Cahill, Charles D'Avanzo and John Sullivan, gave most interesting talks. They stressed the need of further education for the medical assistant, and also of the need of new members. They once again promised the organization their own support as well as that of the HDMS.

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Luncheon Meeting —
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Guest Speaker — Mrs. Edith Carey
"Montessori Approach in Education"
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Saturday, November 7, 1964
Dinner Dance
Twelfth Annual White Cap Ball
Kimball Towers — Springfield, Mass.
Chairman: Mrs. B. Bruce Alicandri
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Tuesday, December 8, 1964 — 2:30 P.M.
Christmas Membership Tea
Home of Mrs. Setrag Zacarian
154 Colony Road
Longmeadow, Mass.
Chairman: Mrs. Omar Pace
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Mrs. Eugene Beauchamp, Jr.

Tuesday, March 2, 1965 — 12:30 P.M.
Luncheon Meeting —
Guest Speaker —
"Mrs. Nobody Goes Somewhere"
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Chairman: Mrs. Robert Moriarty
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Tuesday, April 13, 1965 — 12:30 P.M.
Annual Luncheon Meeting
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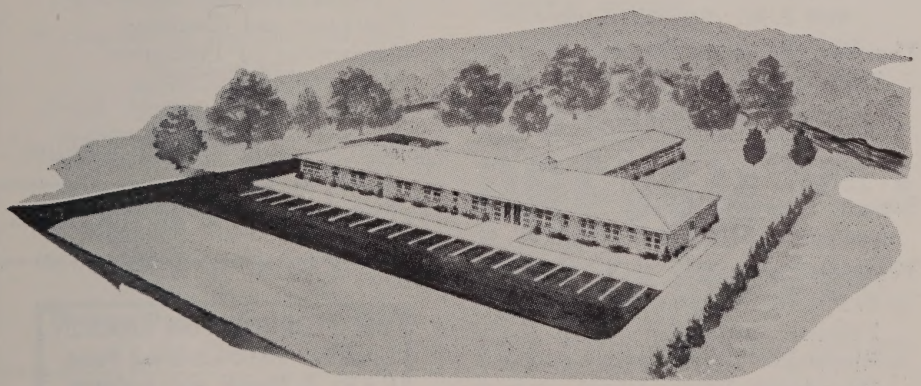

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Donald M. Allen, M.D.
Pediatric Hematologist
The Boston Floating Hospital, Boston

Subject: "Current Concepts in the Management of Neonatal Jaundice".

Thursday, December 3, 1964
Frank G. De Luca, M.D.
Pediatric Surgeon
Rhode Island Hospital
Providence, Rhode Island

Subject: "Surgical Emergencies in the Newborn".

Thursday, January 7, 1965
Edward F. Rabe, M.D.
Assoc. Prof. of Ped. Neurology
Tufts Univ. School of Medicine

Subject: "Subdural Effusion in Infants and Children".

Thursday, February 4, 1965
John P. Connelly, M.D.
Department of Pediatrics
Harvard Medical School

Subject: "Juvenile Diabetes".

Thursday, March 4, 1965
Robert Winters, M.D.
Professor of Pediatrics
Columbia University
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Subject: "Salt and Water Metabolism" and "Renal Physiology".

Thursday, April 1, 1965
George S. Husson, M.D.
Assoc. Professor of Pediatrics
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State University of New York
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Subject: "Congenital Mitral Insufficiency"

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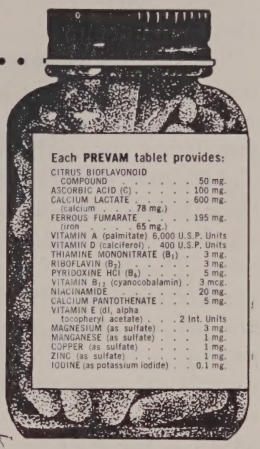
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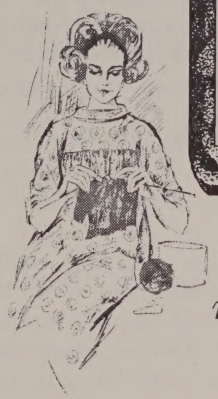

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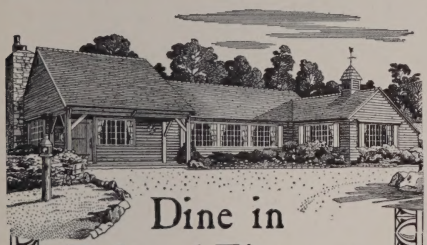

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